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SUBJECT:PROPOSED CODDING CATTLE PROJECT

REF: A) TRIPOLI 962 (NOTAL), B) RABAT 4140 (NOTAL)

1. CHARLES AND DON CODDING, PARTNERS IN CODDING CATTLE RESEARCH, FORAKER, OKLAHOMA 74638 CONFIRMED TO COMMERCE REPS COMPANY'S INTEREST IN INVESTIGATING LIBYAN DOLS 50 MILLION CATTLE PROJECT. ACCORDING COMPANY CATALOG, COMPANY'S EXPERIENCE IN ARTIFICIAL CATTLE INSEMINATION DATES FROM 1915. A SUBSIDIARY COMPANY, CODDING EMBRYO-LOGICAL SCIENCES -INC., PERFORMS EMBRYO TRANSPLANTS. CHARLES CODDING INDICATED LATTER COMPANY IS BEING DISSOLVED WITH TRANSPLANT TECHNOLOGY BEING UNDERTAKEN BY PARENT FIRM.

2. CODDINGS WERE ORIGINALLY CONTACTED ABOUT POSSIBLE LIBYAN INTEREST BY DR. EDDA SILVESTRO, ADMINISTRATOR, ARAB EURO DO BRASIL, TATANAKI BLDG., P.O. BOX 749 - 861, TRIPOLI, TEL: 33324 - 41950. MRS. SILVESTRO, WHO IS ALSO UNCLASSIFIED

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ADMINISTRATOR OF EUROBRASIL SRL OF RIO DE JANEIRO AND ROME,

IS HANDLING NEGOTIATIONS WITH LIBYAN MINISTER AGRICULTURE TABU. WHEN APPOINTMENTS ARE CONFIRMED BY SILVESTRO, CODDING HAS OFFERED SEND SIX TO EIGHT MAN TEAM TO LIBYA, INCLUDING EXPERTS IN CROP PRODUCTION AND IRRIGATION, BEEF,

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTION, FEED LOT OPERATION, BULL STUD, ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION AND EMBRYO TRANSPLANTS, TO DETERMINE WHICH AREAS ARE APPROPRIATE FOR LIBYA AND OUTLINE POSSIBLE PROJECTS. CODDING EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR EMBASSY INTEREST AND SAID HE WILL KEEP US INFORMED ON PROJECT DEVELOPMENTS AND TRAVEL PLANS.

3. COMMERCE REPS ALSO INFORMED CODDING AND OFFICES OF SENATOR HENRY BELLMON IN WASHINGTON AND OKLAHOMA CITY OF GOM INTEREST IN ATTRACTING U.S. AGRIBUSINESS INVESTMENTS. AT PRESENT CODDING MORE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING CONTRACT FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT THAN IN UNDERTAKING DIRECT INVESTMENT IN EITHER COUNTRY, HOWEVER HE WAS PLEASED WITH EMBASSY RABAT MESSAGE AND MAY INCLUDE RABAT ON PROPOSED TRAVEL TO AREA.

4. CODDING ALSO NEGOTIATING WITH IRAN MINISTRY AGRICULTURE AND CATTLEMAN'S COOP ASSOCIATION ON CATTLE BREEDING/RAISING PROJECT.

5. BACKGROUND INFO ON LIBYA AND MOROCCO, INCLUDING RABAT ET REPORTS, HAS BEEN SUPPLIED TO CODDING. KISSINGER

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